## OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: "GRITS BITS" PANEL DISCUSSION AT TELECOM SOUTH III: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23,

1:00-2:00 P.M.

**DATE** 1/21/02 **CC:** KINNEY

MAYO TELL

An agenda for SGPB's Telecom South III Digital Divide Conference in Atlanta is attached.

You are scheduled to participate in the conference's opening panel from 1:00-2:00 p.m., Wednesday afternoon. Governor Hodges will moderate the panel discussion and Governor Barnes and Lt. Governor Hager will also participate in the panel discussion. I have attached the script for your reference, as well as a list of potential questions that you might be asked. Scott Doron of SGPB provided all of this information.

I've highlighted two other Mississippians that will be participating in panel discussions on your agenda:

- Dr. Robert Altenkirch, Vice President for Research at Mississippi State, will speak at 4:00 Wednesday afternoon in a panel discussion on "Research and Educational Networks as Drivers of Economic Development." He'll be discussing the role of information technology in the Nissan project. I've attached a copy of his briefing and his talking points for your reference.
- William (Billy) Mounger II, Chairman of Telecorp PCS, Inc., is scheduled to participate in a panel discussion at 1:30 p.m. Thursday afternoon in the State: New Themes for the New Economy tract entitled "The Wireless World: The Next Paperless Office? Definition, Pros and Cons."